On two new races of the genus Zygaena Fabricius from Asia Minor (Lep. Zygaenidae)*

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1. Zygaena (Agrumenia) formosa Herrich-Schäffer ssp. bernhaueriana n. ssp.

Zygaena formosa H.-S. (1852; 1851. figure) is illustrated in Seitz. Die Gross-Schmetterlinge der Erde 2 (1907) and is dealt with further by H. Reiss in the Supplement to the work of Seitz (1930) 2:22 and (1933) 2:269. H. Reiss (1935), in describing the ssp. kotzschi Reiss from Khash Khash Dagh, Aghri Dagh, 3,200 m, West Armenia, quoted the original description of Zugaena formosa Herrich-Schäffer from Amasia, Pontus; there the date of the original description is erroneously cited as 1845, which should be corrected to 1852. The ssp. malatiana Rebel (1901) from Malatia, Taurus was also dealt with by H. Reiss (1935). Haaf (1952) figured the male genitalia while those of both sexes were figured by Alberti (1958; 1959). We do not possess specimens of ssp. hadjinica Holik & Sheljuzhko (1958) (=hadjinensis Holik & Sheljuzhko (1956)) from Hadjin, Taurus; it was described from 633, leg. Manissadjan, 1886, in coll. Staudinger, as follows: "These examples approach the west Armenian subspecies but differ in the red coloration which is more inclined to carmine. Quite characteristic is the basal half of the hindwings which is more thickly scaled than the apical half. The hindwing border is better developed than that in the nominate race and in specimens from Malatia. abdominal belt is simple, partly reduced." Tremewan (1970) described the ssp. eximia from Ankara: Balâ, south of Ankara. ca 1000 m, 13♂♂, 4 ♀♀, 11-13.7.1969, and from Ankara: Beynam, south of Ankara, ca 1000 m, 3♂♂, 12-16.7.1969, leg. Tremewan and Cottrill. Wingspan ♂ 22-26 mm, ♀ 24-27 mm. We have for comparison $2 \circ \circ 1 \circ \circ$ of the type series. Further, 1♂ 1♀ of eximia from Beynam, 14.7.1971, leg. K. Bernhauer, in coll. H. Reiss.

From eastern Turkey, north of Tunceli, ca 25 km south of Pulümür, 1500m, 25-29.6.1971, leg. D. & K. Bernhauer, we have $6\mbox{c}\mbox{d}$ that differ from all known subspecies. We name this race after the collectors: bernhaueriana n. ssp. Wingspan $\mbox{c}\mbox{d}\mbox{d}$ 25-26 mm. Compared with eximia Tremewan the patagia is more whitish. The whitish surrounding of the tegulae is hardly evident. The abdominal belt, which in eximia is distinct light carmine red on two segments, is in all specimens strongly restricted and dusted with dark scaling; in $\mbox{d}\mbox{d}\mbox{d}$ the abdominal belt is quite lost on the upperside and on the underside it is in the form of only a very narrow red band. Compared with eximia, the legs are distinctly darkened. The red of the fore-

^{*}The systematic arrangement follows Reiss & Tremewan (1967).

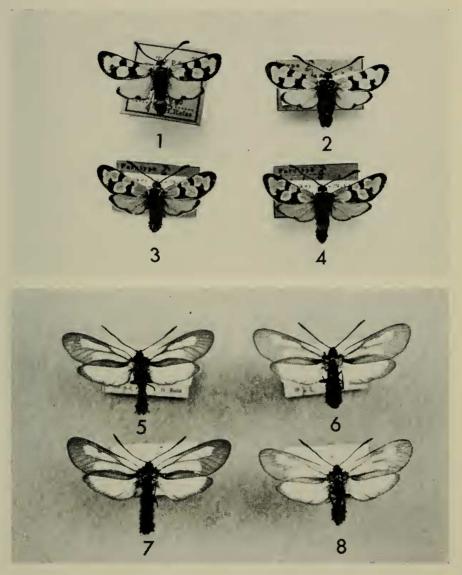


Fig. 1. Zygaena formosa kotzschi Reiss, Holotype &, wingspan 26 mm. Fig. 2. Z. formosa bernhaueriana n. ssp., Holotype &, wingspan 25 mm. Fig. 3. Z. formosa bernhaueriana n. ssp., Paratype &, wingspan 25 mm. Fig. 4. Z. formosa bernhaueriana n. ssp., Paratype &, wingspan 26 mm. Fig. 5. Z. osterodensis ikizderica n. ssp. Holotype &, wingspan 31 mm. Fig. 6. Z. osterodensis ikizderica n. ssp., Allotype &, wingspan 32 mm. Fig. 7. Z. osterodensis ikizderica n. ssp., Paratype &, wingspan 34 mm.

Fig. 8. Z. osterodensis ikizderica n. ssp., Paratype \Im , wingspan 32 mm.

wing spots and the hindwings is a warm light carmine, hardly different from that of eximia. The yellowish white edging of the forewing spots is distinctly narrower, compared with eximia; in 233 it runs along the costa from spot 1 to 3. A light carmine red spot 2a is found in 533, and in 13 the spot 2a is yellowish. This spot (2a) is placed against the dorsum through the yellowish white line, as in eximia. The underside is similar to the upperside. Holotype 33, wingspan 25 mm, and 5 paratypes 333 in coll. Reiss.

The figures show the form and size of the antennae, the wing shape, the spot size and edging, likewise the hindwing

border.

Zygaena formosa ssp. bernhaueriana n. ssp. is different:

(a) from formosa formosa H.-S. from Amasia through the darker legs, the strongly reduced red abdominal belt, the less marked white edging of the tegulae and the narrower edging of the forewing spots;

(b) from formosa hadjinensis Holik & Sheljuzhko from Hadjin, Taurus, and malatiana Rebel from Malatia, Taurus, through the darker legs, the reduced abdominal belt and the somewhat

colder red coloration;

- (c) from *formosa kotzschi* Reiss from Khash Khash Dagh, Aghri Dagh, 3200 m, of which the holotype ♂ is figured, through the light blue sheen on the forewings, the more whitish appearance of the tegulae, the warmer carmine red spots with well represented, not rudimentary, edging; further by the enlarged spots 3 and 4 which are not separated by the dark ground colour.
- 2. Zygaena (Zygaena) osterodensis Reiss ssp. ikizderica n. ssp. Following the genitalia studies by Tremewan & Reiss (1964), the distribution of Zygaena osterodensis Reiss (scabiosae auct.) was shown on a map which also shows the distribution of Zygaena romeo Duponchel and Zygaena nevadensis Rambur. Z. scabiosae Scheven is a race of Zygaena purpuralis Brünnich from Regensburg, Germany. From Achalzich, Adshara Mountains, Georgia, Transcaucasus, ssp. caucasi Burgeff (1926) (=caucasica Spuler (1906), locality Caucasus) was desribed. Whether the original series of caucasica Spuler actually belong to osterodensis Reiss or to Zygaena mana Kirby (=erebus Staudinger) can no longer be ascertained, as the types cannot be found. H. Reiss (1930) dealt with ssp. caucasi Burgeff in Seitz, Die Gross-Schmetterlinge der Erde, Supplement 2:10 under scabiosae and figured a d ex coll. Burgeff on plate 4n. Holik & Sheljuzhko (1955) give under scabiosae a description of caucasi from 17 $\delta\delta$, 3 99 without collecting data from the neighbourhood of Borshom, Georgia: "As large as central European specimens but with broad very rounded apexes of the wings. The pattern is almost identical with that of the German races. The inclination towards broken streaks is only

small ($1\ensuremath{\mathcal{S}}$). The hindwing border is evenly broad. The scaling is fairly dense, the red a dull carmine. Antennae thick, with strong rounded clubs." In addition Holik & Sheljuzhko (1955) wrote that these specimens were not different from those that Burgeff described from Achalzich. The thickened antennae that both authors described could not be confirmed by us.

In coll. Reiss is 1♂ labelled Caucasus, that belongs to ssp. caucasi Burgeff. Wingspan 29 mm. The thorax and abdomen show no visible hairs. The antennae are thin and weakly clubbed. The wings are rounded at the apexes. The black ground colour is without gloss. The light carmine red streaks are separated from one another by the black veins. The carmine red coloration of the hindwings is scarcely luminous. The hindwing border is broad and fairly even to the tornus.

Wingspan 13 29 mm, 733 31 mm, 533 32 mm, 13 33 mm, 1334 mm, 13 (crippled); 1930 mm, 29932 mm. The ground colour of the antennae, head, thorax and abdomen is black with a light blue gloss; the abdomen is distinctly haired. tennae in the && are distinctly more strongly clubbed than those of the 9.9. The legs are black with bluish gloss; the hind legs lack the medial spurs. The dull ground colour of the forewings is almost without gloss. The dark hindwing border is broad, strongest at the apex and reaching the tornus. fringes are black, darker than the ground colour. The forewings are rounded at the apex. The red of the forewing streaks and of the hindwings is darker in the males than in the females. The streaks of the forewings are similar in shape and size to those of central European osterodensis. Streak 1 extends along the wing as far as spot 3, but remains separated from both spots 2 and 3 by the dark veins. The streak comprised of spots 2-4 is often somewhat narrower in the middle and remains separated from the streak comprised of spots 3-5 by the dark ground colour. The apical streak (spots 3-5) has the elongate spot 3 connected to spot 5 in almost all specimens. In 333. 299 the apical streak (3-5) is completely broken by the dark ground colour. The underside of the wings is as the upperside. the streaks are sometimes somewhat diffuse.

The genitalia of 13 were prepared by Mr Fr. Heller of the Museum of Natural History in Stuttgart, and agree with the genitalia illustrated by Alberti (1958; 1959) under scabiosae. We are most grateful to Mr Heller for his work.

The illustrations show especially the size of the wings and antennae, the forewing streaks and the breadth of the hind-wing border.

The new subspecies differs from ssp. caucasi Burgeff from Achalzich in Georgia in the larger wingspan, stronger pubescence of the thorax and abdomen and the forewing streaks.

Holik & Sheljuzhko (1955) record under *scabiosae* 15 19 from Sarykamysh (formerly Province Kars), 17.6.1913, leg. Tkatshukov (coll. Sheljuzhko) for the West Armenian zone of

the Asia Minor region.

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